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**Statement  
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Mr. Chairman,

1. Since it is my first time taking the floor, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate you and your colleagues on the assumption of chairmanship of the Sixth Committee. I am confident that under your able guidance and wise leadership, the deliberation of this Committee would bring a successful outcome.
2. My Delegation fully aligns itself with the Statement made by Viet Nam, on behalf of the Association of Southeast Asia Nations (ASEAN.) Cambodia unequivocally condemns terrorism in all its forms and manifestations, committed by whomsoever, wherever and for whatever purposes. Terrorism induces fear amidst and across national borders. As such, it seriously threatens national and international security.
3. To combat terrorism effectively, Cambodia believes that there is an obvious need for more coordinated and cooperation at sub-regional, regional, and international levels so as to enhance the effectiveness of the General Assembly Resolution on United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy (A/RES/60/288) which was adopted in September 8, 2006. A comprehensive approach remains vitally important, if we are to succeed in this crucial task. This includes the need to address the root causes, of which poverty and despair afflict different parts of our world.

Mr. Chairman,

4. The Kingdom of Cambodia has rendered unwavering support and cooperation to the global fight against terrorism. Her firm commitments have been translated into concrete deeds as follows:

- Cambodia has so far acceded to all 12 key international counter-terrorism instruments currently in force and is looking forward to ratify the further remaining conventions regarding the fight against terrorism.
- Cambodia has strictly implemented the law of the Reform of Weapons and Explosive Ordnance Management that was adopted by the National Assembly on April 26, 2005. In this context, over 200,000 rifles have been destroyed in order to prevent those weapons from falling into the hands of terrorists and smugglers.
- Furthermore, the National Bank of Cambodia (NBC) has circulated nationwide the UN Security Council and the US lists of individuals and entities involving in global terrorism. The NBC has officially instructed all financial and banking institutions operating in Cambodia to scrutinize and freeze the assets of persons and entities, whose name appeared on the above-mentioned lists. Up to this moment, there has been no evidence of financial linkage of those wanted entities and institutions. The NBC however continues to investigate and closely watch for financial elements and activities of any suspected terrorists. The NBC has also issued orders prohibiting transactions with persons

or entities considered as having committed or threatening to commit or having supported terrorism.

Mr. Chairman,

5. Cambodia, along with her fellow members of ASEAN, shares the view that the measures against terrorism should uphold international law and international humanitarian law particularly the principles of national sovereignty, territorial integrity and non-interference into the internal affairs of States. As a Member of ASEAN, we are part of a number of bilateral, regional, and international initiatives to counter terrorism.

I thank you, Mr. Chairman.